

SGIP Program Opening 2016

Policy Perspectives from the Center for Sustainable Energy

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Center for Sustainable Energy (CSE)

- CSE is the only non-profit, non-utility, 3rd party administrator of SGIP
- Manage application reviews and payments on behalf of SDG&E for projects located in its service territory
- Work with CPUC Energy Division and statewide PAs on policy and administrative issues

Our Mission:

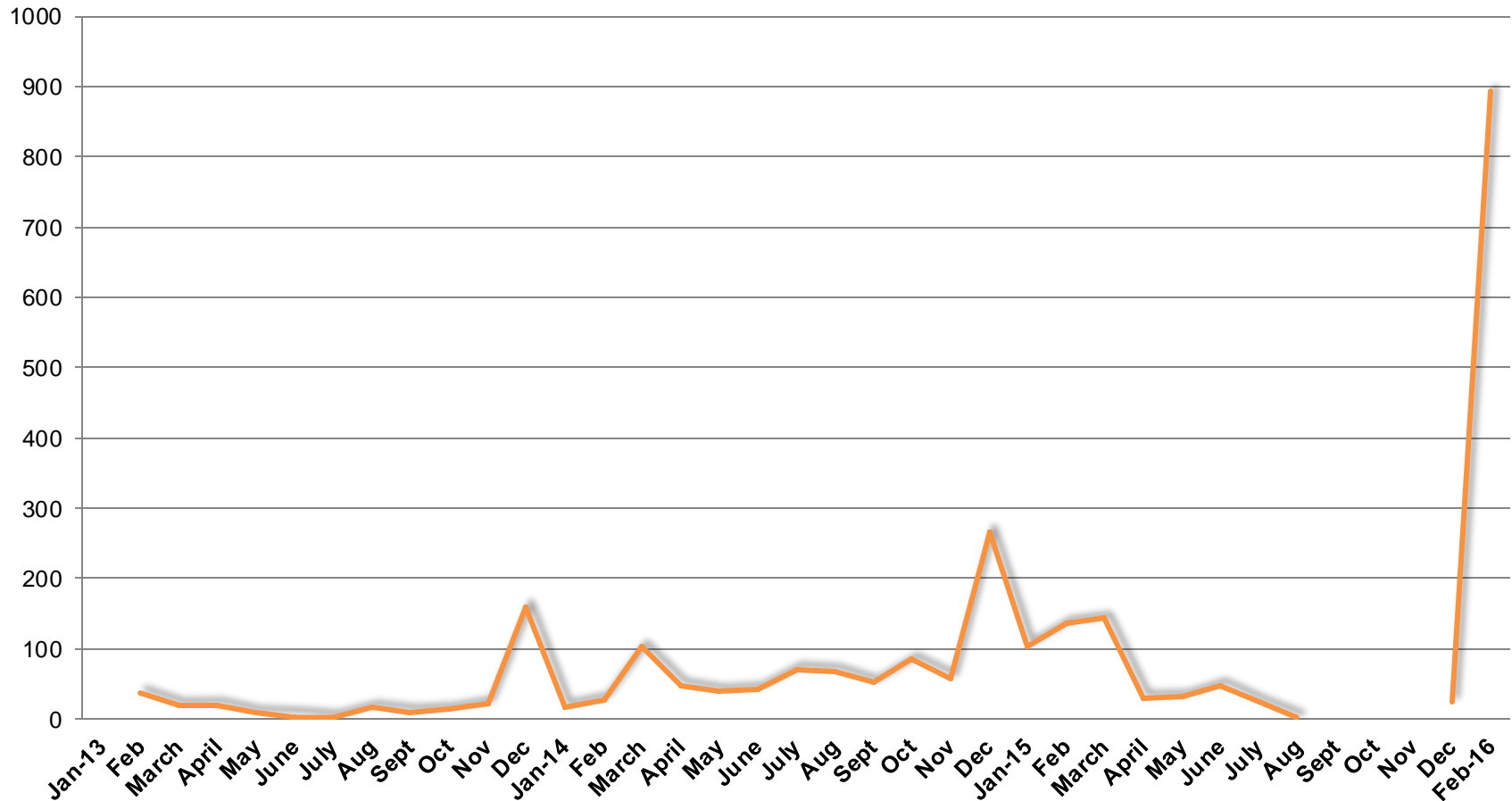
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SGIP has fundamentally evolved

Number of Applications: 2013-2016



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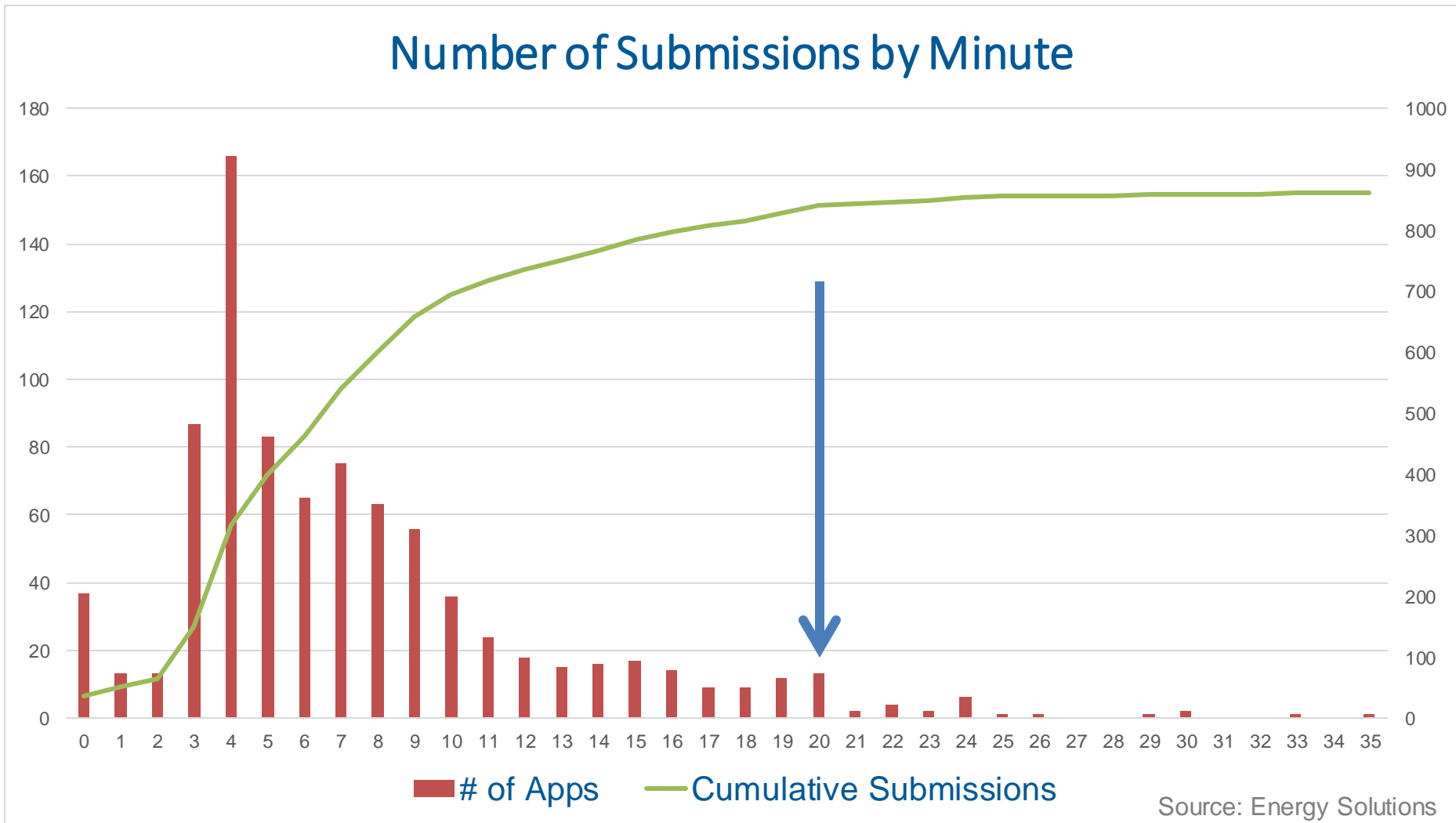
- Existing policies should be revised in order to:
 - **Promote equity and transparency**
 - **Adapt to the needs of growing markets**
 - **Continue to effectively support the goals of the program**
 - **Ensure an efficient use of ratepayer funds**
- We support the efforts of the Commission thus far in recognizing these realities and proposing program modifications to achieve these objectives.

Program Opening: February 23, 2016

- Upon opening SGIP received 893 applications, requesting more than \$200M worth of SGIP funds.
- 5x more than the statewide budget of \$44M
- Stakeholders have expressed equity concerns with the utilization of the “first-come first-served” funding mechanism given the state of the program today.

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Number of Submissions by Minute



Source: Energy Solutions

How to Proceed?

- It is important for SGIP to adapt in order to be able to responsibly manage the ever increasing demand for incentives.
- We look forward to hearing proposals that seek to:
 - Rectify identified failures of program opening
 - Provide equity and transparency
 - Ensure an efficient use of ratepayer funds

Conclusion

- CSE thanks the Commission for giving all of us the opportunity to air our concerns and provide suggestions.
- We look forward to a solution that provides equity and transparency in the application process, but more broadly, allows SGIP to adapt and modernize in order to achieve its full potential.